

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2579 - SB 2567

February 17, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes local chief law enforcement officers to negotiate the terms of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between a municipality and the United States Department of Homeland Security concerning the enforcement of federal immigration laws, detention and removals, and investigations in the local jurisdiction.

Requires local chiefs of police to designate that appropriate employees of the police department be trained pursuant to the MOU. Authorizes employees certified as trained in accordance with an MOU to enforce federal immigration laws while performing within the scope of their authorized duties as law enforcement officers.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – Due to multiple unknown factors, any fiscal impact to local government cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty. However, any such impact to local government would be considered permissive. No significant impact to state government.

Assumptions:

- U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) is responsible for enforcing federal immigration laws as part of its homeland security mission.
- The 287(g) program, one of ICE's partnership initiatives, allows a state or local law enforcement entity to enter into a partnership with ICE, under a joint MOU in order to receive delegated authority for immigration enforcement within their jurisdictions.
- The number of local entities that elect to enter into this MOU as a direct result of this legislation is unknown. The number of officers that will be trained is unknown.
- The costs associated with training such officers are unknown.
- Federal funding pursuant to the Homeland Security Appropriation Act of 2018 or subsequent federal funding sources will be sought. However, it is unknown if this funding can be secured or if it will suffice in covering the costs of training.
- Therefore, any fiscal impact to the federal or local government cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty. Any such impact to local government would be permissive.
- No significant impact to state government.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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